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Sen. Stamas receives “Crime Fighter Award”

LANSING – State Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland, was recently honored by the Fight Crime: Invest in Kids – Michigan and awarded with the “Crime Fighter Award.”

Fight Crime: Invest in Kids member and Alpena County Prosecutor Dennis Grenkowicz was on hand to present the prestigious award. Michigan’s best-known police chiefs, sheriffs, prosecutors and crime survivors also were on hand at the annual membership meeting in Lansing to honor Stamas.

The award recognizes Stamas’ support for funding proven programs that keep children from becoming criminals in the first place – quality after school and summer programs, quality early childhood education and care, prevention of child abuse and neglect, and programs that get troubled children back on track.

“Sen. Stamas has distinguished himself as a representative and now as a senator through his leadership on appropriations committees in both the House and Senate,” Grenkowicz said. “As vice-chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee and chairman of the appropriations subcommittee on the Department of Community Health budget, Stamas has been a leader in preserving programs for at-risk children and youth.”

Stamas also received the award in Alpena last month from Alpena County Sheriff James Marquardt.

“I am truly pleased to receive this award,” said Stamas, vice-chairman of the Senate Committee on State Police and Military Affairs. “These programs are based on a local partnership which has enabled them to be more effective.”

Fight Crime: Invest in Kids – Michigan is an anti-crime non-profit organization led by more than 300 Michigan police chiefs, sheriffs, prosecutors, and crime survivors.

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